

WOKING VICTORIA HOSPITAL

OPENING

of

New Out-Patients
Department

by

The Right Hon.

DENNIS VOSPER, T.D., M.P.

MINISTER OF HEALTH

on

Friday, 26th April, 1957

THE NEW DEPARTMENT

FOR MANY years the out-patient work of the Hospital has been carried on in cramped and makeshift quarters to the inconvenience and discomfort of patients and staff alike. The new building being opened today will not only provide up-to-date and spacious accommodation for the existing requirements of the Hospital but will also enable the consultative out-patient services to be expanded to meet the needs of the growing population of the area.

With the exception of the lift shaft and end walls which are built of brick the building consists of a reinforced concrete frame enclosed within an envelope of metal and glass. Lightweight hollow blocks have been used to form the partitions between rooms and the suspended ceilings are covered in acoustic tiles to reduce noise: for the same reason rubber floor coverings have been chosen as far as finance and other factors allowed. All services—water, electricity, gas, etc.—are concealed where possible in horizontal and vertical ducts contrived in the structure of the building.

The accommodation provided consists of Casualty Department and office on the ground floor, Consulting Rooms on the first floor and X-ray Department on the second floor. (See rough sketch plan enclosed).

The cost of the building including equipment is over £70,000 of which £10,000 is being provided by the Hospital from its own funds.

The Hospital Management Committee wishes to acknowledge with gratitude its debt to the South-West Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board for the provision of this fine modern department and to put on record its appreciation of the work done by the following, among many others, in the construction of the new building

Regional Architect

RICHARD MELLOR, F.R.I.B.A.

Architect for Scheme

J. W. POLTOCK, A.R.I.B.A.

Regional Engineer

S. C. VINCENT, B.Sc.,
M.I.MECH.E., M.I.E.E.

Main Contractors

Quantity Surveyors
MESSRS. C. E. KENNEY & PARTNERS

MESSRS. MARSHALL ANDREW & CO. LTD.
MESSRS. LAVENDER McMILLAN (Concrete Frame)

Programme

2.40 p.m. The Chairman of the Hospital Management Committee, ADMIRAL SIR NOEL LAURENCE, K.C.B., D.S.O., will take the chair and open the proceedings.

The Chairman of the Woking Urban District Council, MR. A. D. CAMPBELL, B.Sc., L.C.P., will welcome the assembled company.

The Chairman will introduce the Minister of Health.

The Minister of Health, the RIGHT HONOURABLE DENNIS VOSPER, T.D., M.P., will address the company.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE HAROLD WATKINSON, M.P., will propose a vote of thanks to the Minister.

The Chairman of the House Committee, MR. H. S. CAWSEY, J.P., C.C., will second the vote of thanks and speak of those concerned with the building of the new department.

3.20 p.m. The Minister of Health, accompanied by guests, will proceed to the forecourt of the new building where MR. RICHARD MELLOR, F.R.I.B.A., MR. J. W. POLTOCK, A.R.I.B.A., MR. S. C. VINCENT, B.Sc., M.I.MECH.E., M.I.E.E., and MR. J. MARSHALL ANDREW, M.I.O.B., will be introduced to him.

The Vicar of the Parish will say a prayer of blessing.

The Minister will unveil a commemorative plaque on the wall of the new building.

MAJOR GENERAL L. A. HAWES, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., on behalf of the South West Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board, will present the Minister with a key of the building.

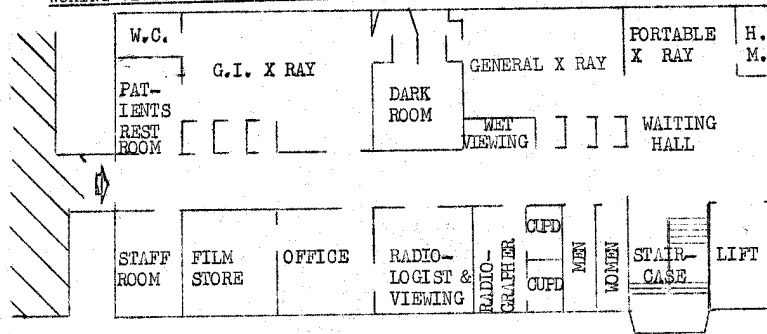
The Minister will unlock the door and declare the building open.

3.30 p.m. The Minister, followed by guests, will inspect the new department.

3.45 p.m. Tea will be served in the marquee.

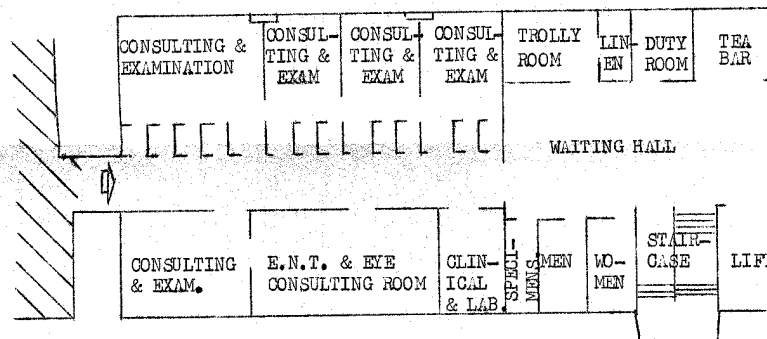
Trains return to London at: 4.36, 4.55, 5.0 and 5.6 p.m.

WOKING VICTORIA HOSPITAL - EXTENSIONS TO OUT-PATIENTS DEPARTMENT

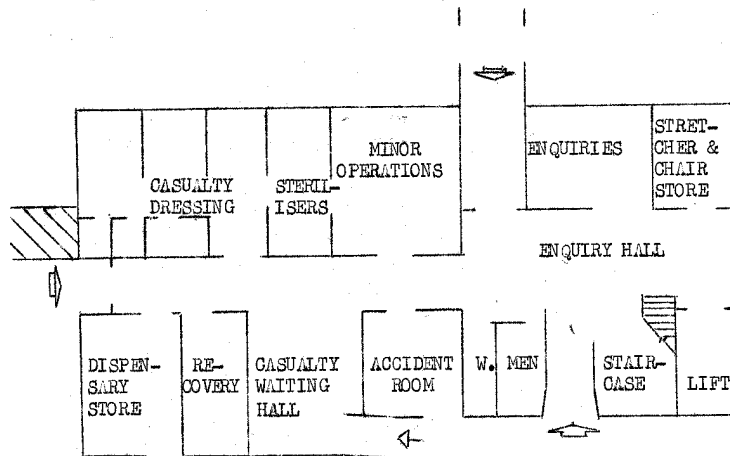


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